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I am transmitting a Petition for Extension of Time and Authorization to Charge Deposit Account as well as Amendment A in response to the Office Action mailed February 9, 2005.

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Sincerely,

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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT A

In response to the Office Action of February 9, 2005, please amend
the above-identified application as follows:

Amendment to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Listing of the Claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Discussion begin on page 7 of this paper.